

REMARKS

Consideration of this application in view of the preliminary claim amendments, the modified specification and the following remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1- 10 are cancelled. Claims 11-23 are pending.

The pending claims and modified specification reflect the changes to the application set forth in the Annexes to the International Preliminary Investigation Report under PCT Article 36. In addition, the claims have been modified for clarity under the English language and U.S. patent conventions. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Support for the amendments is found in the specification, including the drawings.

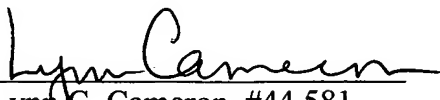
CONCLUSION

The present application is now believed to be in condition for examination. Should any issues or items be remaining, please contact me at the number provided below.

In addition, if the amount submitted herewith is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficit to our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same.

Respectfully Submitted,

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